PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Special Law Enforcement Assistance Fund

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 2:00 PM

PLACE: Dover Police Department – Assembly Room

400 S Queen St. - Dover, DE 19904

SLEAF Committee Members Present:

(1) Sean Lugg, State Prosecutor, Delaware Department of Justice

- (2) Major Robert Hudson, Delaware State Police
- (3) Capt. Benjamin Feldmann, New Castle County Police Department
- (4) Capt. Deshaun Counts, Wilmington Police Department
- (5) Chief Marvin Mailey, Jr., Dover City Police Department
- (6) Chief Kenneth Brown, Sussex County
- (7) Jeffrey Horvath, Kent County
- (8) Chief Laura Giles, New Castle County

Administrative Staff Present:

Andrea Godfrey, Delaware Department of Justice Patricia Davis, DAG, Delaware Department of Justice Alvina Boulware, Delaware Department of Justice Kimberly Moro, Delaware Department of Justice

Call to Order

State Prosecutor Sean Lugg called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

Opening Remarks

Mr. Lugg indicated there is still no state contract for Body Worn Cameras (BWC) and no estimated date for same. Capt. Feldmann indicated his desire to wait until a contract was finalized before the Committee approved disbursement of funds. Mr. Horvath requested first consideration be given to those agencies with previously submitted applications as well as smaller agencies. Motion by Mr. Lugg to stay BWC applications until a contract is finalized or such time as it is determined a contract is not going to be finalized. Mr. Horvath's request for prioritization is included. Seconded by Capt. Feldmann. Committee voted 7-1 to approve; Chief Brown opposed. Motion approved.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Following confirmation of the accuracy of the previous meeting's minutes, Chief Giles moved to approve the June 12, 2018 meeting minutes and Mr. Horvath seconded the motion. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the SLEAF Committee unanimously approved the minutes. Chief Mailey abstained, as he was not present at the June meeting.

Consideration of SLEAF Applications

Mr. Lugg advised the Committee that funds requested exceed funds available and asked present agency representatives if any wished to withdraw, reduce, or table pending applications. The following applications were withdrawn, reduced or tabled at the request of the agency:

1. Agency: Ocean View PD / Application#: 17-051

The application seeks \$5,300.00 for the purchase of a shed for police vehicle storage. Chief McLaughlin emailed a request to withdraw this application prior to the September 11, 2018 meeting. Application withdrawn.

2. Agency: Elsmere PD / Application#: 18-026

The application seeks \$5,195.00 for the purchase of an upgrade to an 8 year old in-car camera system. Chief Giles requested to table this application until the next meeting. Application tabled.

3. Agency: Milford PD / Application#: 18-045(B)

The application seeks \$12,799.00 for the purchase of a K9, home kennel, cage and mat and deployment system. Chief Brown requested to table this application until the next meeting. Application tabled.

4. Agency: New Castle County PD / Application#: 18-039

The application seeks \$23,800.00 for the purchase of 400 tactical tourniquets with carriers. Capt. Feldmann requested to table this application until the next meeting. Application tabled.

5. Agency: New Castle County PD / Application#: 18-059

The application seeks \$297.00 for the purchase of 3IPEVO document cameras. Capt. Feldmann requested to withdraw this application. Application withdrawn.

6. Agency: Felton PD / Application#: 18-041

The application seeks \$1,990.00 for the purchase of 5 GLOCK 22 Gen40S&W handguns and 5 TLR-1 HL patrol rifle lights. Felton representative requested to table this application until the next meeting. Application tabled.

7. Agency: Wilmington PD / Application#: 18-035(B)

The application seeks \$42,000.00 for the purchase of 60 ballistic shields for uniformed officers. Capt. Counts requested to table this application until the next meeting. Application tabled.

8. Agency: Wilmington PD / Application#: 18-064

The application seeks \$60,000.00 to fund initiatives for Advanced Investigations, Forensic, and EDU training and certification. Capt. Counts requested to table this application until the next meeting. Application tabled.

9. Agency: Wilmington PD / Application#: 18-065

The application seeks \$30,000.00 to purchase 15 Microsoft Surface Pro Tablets with remote access to WPD video center. Capt. Counts requested to table this application until the next meeting. Application tabled.

10. Agency: Seaford PD / Application#: 18-055

The application seeks \$4,013.52 to purchase 2 SIG SAUER SEMI rifles thus providing each uniformed officer with one. Seaford PD's representative requested to table this application until the next meeting. Application tabled.

11. Agency: Delaware State Police / Application#: 17-050

The application seeks \$60,847.30 for the purchase of a Laser Shot Forearms/Use of Force Simulator. Major Hudson requested to withdraw this application. Application withdrawn.

12. Agency: Delaware State Police / Application#: 18-053

The application seeks \$135,000.00 for the purchase of a portable inflatable wall system for yearly SWAT, SORT, ALERRT and COPT training. Major Hudson requested to table this application until the next meeting. Application tabled.

13. Agency: Delaware State Police / Application#: 18-052

The application seeks \$58,050.00 to upgrade 50 discontinued Taser X26E units to X26P versions, Major Hudson requested to table this application until the next meeting. Application tabled.

14. Agency: Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (DATE) / Application#: 18-027

The application seeks \$24,064.80 for the purchase of 12 SIG 516 rifles for active shooter incidents, thus providing each officer with one. Representative from DATE requested to table this application until the next meeting. Application tabled.

Chief Giles questioned the number of times the below applications have been repeatedly tabled due to the absence of an agency representative at the SLEAF Committee meeting. Ms. Davis, SLEAF Counsel, advised that the Committee may deny the requests, if chooses to act upon them, and supplement the decision with written notice to the agency.

15. Agency: South Bethany PD / Application #: 16-071

The application seeks \$4,438.00 to send two officers to the SMILE conference. Chief Giles moves to deny the application due to passage of time. Mr. Lugg seconded. The Committee unanimously denied the application.

16. Agency: Smyrna PD / Application #17-037

The application seeks \$7,736.69 to replace 5 TASER units. Chief Giles moves to deny the application due to passage of time. Mr. Lugg seconded. The Committee unanimously denied the application.

As noted in the Guidelines (3.3), the Committee does not consider applications if the agency is not present. The following agencies were not present at the time attendance was taken; thus, their pending applications were tabled.

17. Agency: Ocean View PD / Application#: 18-029

The application seeks \$5,225.00 to upgrade four (4) vehicles with wireless transfer equipment to facilitate the down load of patrol vehicle video. Mr. Lugg moved to table the application until the next meeting. Major Hudson seconded. Application tabled.

Mr. Lugg presented the following application providing support vital to forfeiture operations and, thus, the funding available to be recommended for disbursement by the SLEAF Committee.

18. Agency: Delaware Department of Justice/ Application #18-068

The Committee reviewed the application to covers expenses for posting legal notice of forfeitures as required by statute. The application seeks \$5,000.00. A motion to take the application out of turn and to approve was made by Capt. Feldmann, seconded by Chief Brown. The application was unanimously approved. Mr. Lugg abstained.

The following applications were acted upon by the committee:

19. Agency: Delaware State Police / Application #18-024 (B)

The Committee reviewed the application to upgrade equipment for the SCUBA Unit (air tanks, safety equipment, tank testing, and engine service.) The SCUBA Unit is the only one in the state and responds to call for all agencies in all counties. The application seeks \$14,900.00 (the remainder of the initial application, tabled from previous meeting). Motion to approve by Capt. Feldmann, seconded by Chief Brown. The application was unanimously approved. Major Hudson abstained.

20. Agency: Delaware State Police / Application #18-047

The Committee reviewed the application to provide funds for DSP's State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) Division personnel to attend a 20week Latent Print Examiner training at the National Academy in Minnesota. DSP SBI provides statewide assistance in the area of Latent Prints and Identification. The application seeks \$27,500.00. Motion to approve by Chief Brown, seconded by Chief Mailey. The application was unanimously approved. Major Hudson abstained.

21. Agency: Delaware State Police / Application #18-054

The Committee reviewed the application to provide funds for advanced training for Forensic Firearms Services, ICAC, HTCU, Polygraph, K9 and CIU. The application seeks \$20,000.00. Motion by Major Hudson to reduce the request to \$10,000.00 and table the remaining \$10,000.00r to the next meeting. Motion to approve by Capt. Feldmann, seconded by Chief Mailey. The application was unanimously approved. Major Hudson abstained.

22. Agency: New Castle County PD / Application #18-058

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase an NIJ Level IV SOB II rolling body bunker to be deployed in hostage rescue/active shooter scenarios. The application seeks \$16,585.00. Motion to approve by Chief Giles, seconded by Chief Brown. The application was unanimously approved. Capt. Feldmann abstained.

23. Agency: New Castle County PD / Application #18-060

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase a Tableau TX1 Imager to facilitate imaging of advanced computer hard drives. This technology will be open to all agencies statewide. The application seeks \$3,238.73. Motion to approve by Chief Brown, seconded by Major Hudson. The application was unanimously approved. Capt. Feldmann abstained.

24. Agency: New Castle County PD / Application #18-061

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase a Leica S9i Stereo microscope for use in restoring serial numbers, hair analysis and cell phone examinations. This technology will be open

to all agencies statewide .The application seeks \$7,593.35. Motion to approve by Mr. Horvath, seconded by Chief Brown. The application was unanimously approved. Capt. Feldmann abstained.

25. Agency: DE Department of Correction / Application #18-048

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase 12 radios to be provided to newly hired Probation and Parole Officers. P&P currently does not have 1:1 ratio for radio support. This will aid but still not supply the 1:1 ratio. The application seeks \$59,000.00. Mr. Horvath questions the pricing of each radio. Capt. Feldmann raises topic of budget item versus upgrade item. Motion to approve by Chief Brown, seconded by Chief Giles. Mr. Horvath opposed. The application was approved. Major Hudson abstained.

26. Agency: Dover PD / Application#: 18-067

The application seeks \$950.00 for the purchase of DRONE carrier plates. Chief Mailey requested to table this application until the next meeting. Application tabled.

27. Agency: Wilmington PD / Application #18-033

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase 175 camera kits to complete the 2016 Patrol Camera Program which is designed to provide each patrol officer with the ability to take digital photograph at crime scenes. The application seeks \$27,000.00. Discussion as to other efficient option: one per car, Detectives only, etc. Capt. Counts willing to accept half of the original request. Motion to approve \$13,500.00 by Chief Giles, seconded by Mr. Lugg. Capt. Counts abstained. The remaining \$13,500.00 is denied.

28. Agency: Capitol PD / Application #18-031

The Committee reviewed the application to upgrade 3 in dash cameras. This is the 2nd installment of the plan to purchase a total of 12 cameras to replace outdated versions. The application seeks \$10,500.00. Applicant requested to reduce the application to \$3,500.00 for the purchase of one camera at this time and table the remaining \$7,000.00 until the next meeting. Motion to approve by Chief Giles, seconded by Mr. Horvath. The application was unanimously approved.

29. Agency: Wilmington PD / Application #18-034

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase equipment to upgrade the police bicycle program. The application seeks \$10,200.00. Motion to approve by Major Hudson, seconded by Chief Giles. Capt. Counts abstained.

30. Agency: Bridgeville PD / Application #18-036

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase a utility trailer to transport UTV to rural rescue areas to aid search and rescue. Also requests funds to replace 2 old AED units. The application seeks \$7,400.00. Motion to approve by Mr. Horvath, seconded by Chief Brown. The application was unanimously approved.

31. Agency: Seaford PD / Application #18-042 (B)

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase upgrades and accessories for Taser. The application seeks \$18,387.43 (\$16,407.57 was awarded at the June 12, 2018 meeting). Motion to approve by Major Hudson, seconded by Chief Brown. The application was unanimously approved.

32. Agency: Harrington PD / Application #18-043

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase an Edge in-car camera system with accessories. The application seeks \$5,724.00. Motion to approve by Mr. Horvath, seconded by Chief Brown. The application was unanimously approved.

33. Agency: Delaware City PD / Application #18-044

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase and install a camera system to monitor the city's parks. The application seeks \$22,945.00. Delaware City representative did not have sufficient information. Motion to table until next meeting by Capt. Feldmann, seconded by Chief Giles. The application was tabled until next meeting.

34. Agency: Blades PD / Application #18-046

The Committee reviewed the application to upgrade 2 discontinued Motorola radios; one portable, the other in-car. Trade-in option being utilized. The application seeks \$6,830.94. Chief Anthony requested to reduce amount to \$3,290.20, withdrawing the remaining \$3,540.74. Motion to approve by Major Hudson, seconded by Chief Brown. The application was unanimously approved.

35. Agency: Felton PD / Application #18-049

The Committee reviewed the application to upgrade an in-car camera system, including accessories. The application seeks \$4,995.00. Motion to approve by Mr. Horvath, seconded by Chief Mailey. The application was unanimously approved.

36. Agency: Delaware City PD / Application #18-050

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase Axon in-car camera systems for 4 patrol cars to capture uploadable data for prosecution purposes. The camera systems are transferrable between cars. The application seeks \$11,692.00. Motion to approve by Mr. Horvath, seconded by Capt. Feldmann. The application was unanimously approved. Mr. Lugg clarifies this coverage is for "year one" costs. The remainder of necessary funds and future subsidies are not under consideration at this time.

37. Agency: New Castle City PD / Application #18-051

The Committee reviewed the application to upgrade body armor for 2 officers who are currently using armor set to reach end of lifespan in October/November 2018. The application seeks \$2,111.48. Motion to approve by Major Hudson, seconded by Chief Mailey. The application was unanimously approved.

38. Agency: Ellendale PD / Application #18-056

The Committee reviewed the application to upgrade Motorola portable radio. The application seeks \$3,290.20. Motion to approve by Mr. Horvath, seconded by Major Hudson. The application was unanimously approved.

39. Agency: New Castle County PD / Application #18-057

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase the latest wireless First Responder loudspeaker system for barricade/hostage situation. The application seeks \$3,750.00. Motion to approve by Chief Brown, seconded by Mr. Horvath. The application was unanimously approved. Capt. Feldmann abstained.

40. Agency: New Castle County PD / Application #18-062

The Committee reviewed the application to upgrade 6 camera enclosures with power supplies for surveillance cameras to provide a better viewing area with more stable power supply. The application seeks \$4,230.00. Motion to approve by Chief Giles, seconded by Mr. Horvath. The application was unanimously approved. Capt. Feldmann abstained.

41. Agency: Middletown PD / Application #18-063

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase 23 rifle sights and upgrade weapon mounted LED lights. The application seeks \$8,722.62. Motion to approve by Mr. Horvath, seconded by Chief Brown. The application was unanimously approved.

42. Agency: Newport PD / Application #18-066

The Committee reviewed the application to purchase 6 Watchguard 4 RE and Vista in-car camera systems and wireless transfer. Installment included. The application seeks \$40,105.00. Motion to approve by Mr. Horvath, seconded by Capt. Feldmann. The application was unanimously approved.

Mr. Lugg asked if there were any applications that have not been considered. Hearing none, he proceeded to the next topic of discussion.

Mr. Lugg asked the Committee, to consider prioritizing the application by the statutory authorization for dispensation of funds. Mr. Lugg encourages the Committee members to consider, in advance of the next meeting, suggestions for prioritization such as greatest effect on officer and public safety and those that reach statewide coverage and provide most efficient overall benefit to the community at large and be prepared to offer those suggestions.

Mr. Lugg acknowledged the departure of Capt. Feldmann, NCCPD from the SLEAF Committee and commended him on his contributions to both the Committee and the NCCPD. Mr. Lugg noted that Capt. Treadwell would replace Capt. Feldmann beginning at the next meeting, December 4, 2018.

Chief Giles wished to address the documentation accompanying some of the applications. Chief Giles advised that she will not be inclined to hear or vote on an application if it does not have sufficient supporting documentation for the project.

Public Comment

None.

Next Scheduled Meeting

December 4, 2018

Adjournment

With no further business before the SLEAF Committee, Mr. Horvath moved to adjourn the meeting, Chief Giles seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:58 PM.